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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : RAINER KROPKE ET AL.  
SERIAL NO. : 09/376,794  
FILED : August 18, 1999  
FOR : COSMETIC AND DERMATOLOGICAL PREPARATIONS  
WITH A CONTENT OF CHITOSAN AND  
PHOSPHOLIPIDS  
ART UNIT : 1615  
EXAMINER : G. Kishore

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December 15, 2003

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.121**

SIR:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 10, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin at page 5 of this paper.